

## Oceania – Harmonized System (HS) 6 Digit Code mandatory for all exports

Dear Customer,

We would like to bring an important change to your attention regarding bookings for Australia or New Zealand. Effective from July 10, 2023, it is now mandatory to include the HS code in your booking request.

The Harmonized Commodity Description and Coding System, commonly known as the "Harmonized System" or "HS," is an internationally recognized product classification system developed by the World Customs Organization (WCO).

Hapag Lloyd is legally obligated to communicate this information to customs authorities through our Manifest Cargo. This new requirement will enable us to transmit data more accurately, streamline the booking processing time, and ensure compliance with export and import regulations in both the origin and destination countries.

Please be advised that generic codes ending with 00 will no longer be accepted. To comply with this new requirement, we kindly request that you provide the specific HS code for your cargo when submitting your booking request.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding in this matter. Should you have any questions or require further assistance, please do not hesitate to reach out to your [local customer service representatives](#).

Kind regards,

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